



PATENT
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : William FORD et al.
Serial No. : 10/008,179
For : **LINKER MOLECULES FOR SELECTIVE METALLISATION OF NUCLEIC ACIDS AND THEIR USES**
Filed : December 7, 2001
Examiner : Ardin H. Marschel
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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required.
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Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	11	Minus	30	0	\$18 (9)	\$0
Independent claims	1	Minus	3	0	\$86 (43)	\$0
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$0

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